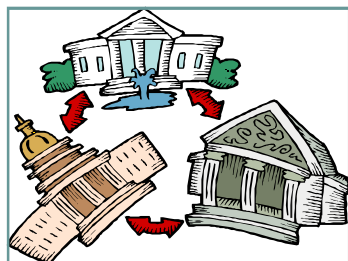


Maryland State Board of Examiners of Nursing Home Administrators

Legislative Update



*From the Desk of the Chairman
Paul E. Joyce, NHA, RHPF*



House Bill 690

As required by House Bill 690 (Summer Study) representatives from the Maryland Board of Examiners of Nursing Home Administrators (BENHA) met with industry representatives on July 25, August 24, and October 5, 2006 to discuss proposed changes in the current standards for licensure of a Maryland nursing home administrator. (Note: The Center for Health Workforce Studies, School of Public Health, University of Albany, rated Maryland “excellent” and the Maryland Licensure Program third in national standing.

Industry representatives included members of the Baltimore County Association of Senior Citizens Organizations, Health Facilities Association of Maryland (HFAM), the Maryland Chapter of the American College of Healthcare Administrators, Mid-Atlantic LifeSpan, and the Office of Administrative Hearings.

The BENHA was very concerned with the original language of HB-690 and felt that the proposed changes would have seriously compromised the licensure program of nursing home administrators in Maryland. Also, BENHA believed that HB-690 as filed, would have potentially placed the Medicaid program funding requirements in jeopardy.

During the workgroup sessions, the industry representatives abandoned their original proposed amendments and submitted some suggestions. After much discussion, BENHA, HFAM, and LifeSpan were able to agree on some of the recommendations.

Your BENHA, during the 2007 Legislative Session, will continue to monitor Bills introduced that may compromise the existing licensure program in Maryland.

Your BENHA will need your help and active participation in making certain that industry representatives insure accuracy of information while communicating with legislators and members of the public. It is imperative that we not allow the erosion of the standards and safeguards of the licensure requirements needed to effectively serve the aging population in our state.

If you would like to participate in your BENHA’s 2007 Legislative oversight process, please contact Patricia A. Hannigan, Telephone: 410-764-4750, Email: Hannigap@dnhm.state.md.us

Paul E. Joyce, NHA, RHPF
Chairman

Laws and Regulations

Enclosed is the current printing of the Board of Examiners of Nursing Home Administrator’s laws under the Annotated Code of Maryland, Health Occupations Article Title 9, and Code of Maryland Regulations 10.33.01—Nursing Home Administrators. Additional copies are available upon request.

Board Approved Continuing Education Programs

Correspondence Program - Open and Continuous
 "Preceptor Certification Program"
 Sponsored by Professional Printing and Publishing, Inc.
 Contact: Patricia Berry (800) 551-8783, www.ppandp.com
 Folder #3001 - 6½ Hours

Home Study
 "Eating for Peak Performance"
 Sponsored by: Institute for Natural Resources
 Contact: Carli O'Sullivan, (925) 609-2820, ext. 247
 Folder #2975 - 3 Hours
 This program has been approved until 3/02/07

The Following Correspondence Courses, Sponsored by:
 Institute for Natural Resources, have been approved for 3
 hours each:

"Arthritis, Diet and Exercise"
 "Asthma and Allergies"
 "Autoimmune Disease and Multiple Sclerosis"
 "Food Allergies"
 "Germs, Bacteria, Viruses, Fungi, Protozoa, &
 Helminthes"
 "Hepatitis A"
 "Hepatitis C"
 "HIV/AIDS"
 "Irritable Bowel Syndrome & Inflammatory
 Gastrointestinal Disorders"
 "Malpractice: An Update for Health Professionals"
 "Medical Ethics: A Clinical Update"
 "Non-HIV/AIDS Sexually Transmitted Diseases"
 "Over the Counter Pain Medication: A Clinical
 Update"
 "Skin Allergies, Skin Care, and Wrinkles"
 "Stress and Eating"
 "Thyroid Disorders"
 "The Common Cold and Flu"
 "Stop Gaining Weight" has been approved for 6 hours.
 Contact Carli O'Sullivan, (925) 609-2820, ext. 247
 These courses are good until 11/19/07—Folder #2991

January 26, 2007
 "Wound Care in the 21st Century"
 Rocky Gap Lodge & Conf. Center, Cumberland, MD
 Sponsored by: Western Maryland Health System
 Contact: Jean M. Seifarth (301) 723-1437
 Folder #2992 - 7 Hours

February 23, 2007
 "Nursing Home Administrator's Guide to
 Accomplishing Goals Through Time Management"
 Hampton Inn, Annapolis, MD
 Sponsored by: Miriam Kimball Training Services
 Contact: Miriam Kimball, (301) 934-4383
 Folder #2997 - 6½ Hours

February 26, 2007
 "Why Does the Skin Fail to Protect the Body:
 Wound Care Management"

Perry Point Veterans Affairs Med. Ctr., Perry Point, MD
 Sponsored by: Chesapeake Health Education Program
 Contact: Gail Pfouts, (410) 642-1195
 Folder #3002, 5½ Hours

February 28, 2007
 "Treating OEF/OIF in Vets"
 Perry Point Veterans Affairs Med. Ctr., Perry Point, MD
 Sponsored by: Chesapeake Health Education Program
 Contact: Gail Pfouts, (410) 642-1195
 Folder #3003, 5½ Hours

3/01/07-Eastern Shore Hospital Center, Cambridge, MD
 3/02/07-Veterans Affairs Med. Center, Perry Point, MD
 "Obsessions & Reflections: Understanding & Treating
 OCD and Body Dysmorphic Disorder"
 Sponsored by: Chesapeake Health Education Program
 Contact: Gail Pfouts, (410) 642-1195
 Folder #3004, 5½ Hours

March 9, 2007
 "Nursing Home Administrator's Guide to
 Enhancing Customer and Community Relations"
 Hampton Inn, Annapolis, MD
 Sponsored by: Miriam Kimball Training Services
 Contact: Miriam Kimball, (301) 934-4383
 Folder #2998 - 6½ Hours

March 14, 2007
 "Effective Documentation in the Skilled Nursing
 Environment"
 Anne Arundel Community College, Arnold, MD
 Sponsored by: SunDance Rehabilitation
 Contact: Sharon McKenzie, (800) 948-9371
 Folder #2993 - 4 Hours

3/19/07-Allegany College of Maryland, Cumberland, MD
 3/20/07-Hagerstown Community College, Hagerstown
 "Basic MDS: What is it, and How do I do it?"
 Sponsored by: Allegany Community College
 Contact: Linda Evans, (301) 784-5592
 Folder #2996 - 5½ Hours

March 23, 2007
 "Best Practices in Nursing Home Administration"
 Hampton Inn, Annapolis, MD
 Sponsored by: Miriam Kimball Training Services
 Contact: Miriam Kimball, (301) 934-4383
 Folder #2999 - 7 Hours

April 16, 2007
 "Gender and Generational Diversity: From Conflict to
 Collaboration"
 Veterans Affairs Medical Center, Baltimore, MD
 Sponsored by: Chesapeake Health Education Program
 Contact: Gail Pfouts, (410) 642-1195
 Folder #3005, 5½ Hours

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April 17, 2007

"Care for the Care Sharers"

Eastern Shore Hospital Center, Cambridge, MD

Sponsored by: Chesapeake Health Education Program

Contact: Gail Pfouts, (410) 642-1195

Folder #3006, 5½ Hours

May 3, 2007

"Building a Culture of Leadership"

Robinwood Medical Campus, Hagerstown, MD

Sponsored by: Hagerstown Community College

Contact: Angela Stoops, (301) 790-2800, ext. 397

Folder #2995 - 6 Hours

May 9, 2007

"Working with Cultural Diversity"

Veterans Affairs Medical Center, Martinsburg, WV

Sponsored by: Chesapeake Health Education Program

Contact: Gail Pfouts, (410) 642-1195

Folder #3007, 5½ Hours

May 10, 2007

"Since Strangling Isn't an Option"

Veterans Affairs Medical Center, Martinsburg, WV

Sponsored by: Chesapeake Health Education

Contact: Gail Pfouts, (410) 642-1195

Folder #3008, 5½ Hours

May 14, 2007

"Understanding Older Minds: Issues in Geriatric Healthcare"

Perry Point, MD

Sponsored by: Chesapeake Health Education

Contact: Gail Pfouts, (410) 642-1195

Folder #3009, 5½ Hours

June 15, 2007

"Changing Our Perspective in Providing Quality Care for Persons with Dementia"

Hagerstown Community College, Hagerstown, MD

Sponsored by: Hagerstown Community College

Contact: Deborah Staley, (301) 790-2800, ext. 454

Folder #2994 - 6 Hours

For programs that are approved by the National Association of Long Term Care Administrators, including correspondence and internet programs, please visit their website at: www.nabweb.org.

Newly Licensed Nursing Home Administrators

The following individuals have been licensed to practice as Nursing Home Administrators in the State of Maryland during calendar year 2006:

Rebecca Adams
Neva A. Babcock
Bernadette Beard
Shelly S. Bishop
Henry C. Cotsalas
Tim A. Davis

Ryan P. Evans
Dameon Fletcher
Eric A. Grimmel
Alexander S. Gross
Kathy L. Haddon
Patricia R. Johnson



Gregory J. Lannon
Michael P. Lavin
John M. Lurz, Jr.
Brian D. McBee
Eric M. O'Neill
Holly J. Prokop

Paul J. Sandford
Anastasia Schaab
Dean A. Smith
Reilly L. Smith
Robin R. Somers
Kathleen R. Wise

Preceptor Certification Courses



The Board has approved a home-study preceptor certification course. This program is being sponsored by Professional Printing and Publishing, Inc. For more information, or to register for the program, please contact Patricia Berry 1 (800) 551-8783, or visit their website at: www.ppandp.com

This program is also approved for continuing education hours for those who wish to pursue it as a refresher course. It has been assigned Folder #3001, and approved for 6½ hours.

The Beacon Institute of LifeSpan is making arrangements to hold their program in March. For further information, or to register for that program, please contact Cynthia Pyle at (410) 381-2401.

The Board of Examiners of Nursing Home Administrators

The Board welcomes Mr. J. Brian Pabst as its newest member.

Mr. Pabst was appointed by Governor Ehrlich to serve a four-year term, retroactive to April 22, 2006.

Mr. Pabst is a Nursing Home Administrator in Maryland, and has been licensed since 1996.

With the arrival of Mr. Pabst, the Board must say goodbye to Cheryle A. Mines.

Ms. Mines, a licensed Nursing Home Administrator, has served on the Board for eight years. She has chaired the Credentials and Legislative Committees, and served on the Disciplinary, Examination, and AIT Monitoring Committees. Her contributions to the Board and the long term care industry have been invaluable.

The Board and staff wish all a joyous, healthy new year!

100 Hour Courses for Nursing Home Administrators

Ms. Barbara Leasure has announced that persons interested in taking the on-campus 100-hour course, can contact her at: (410) 848-0090, or email her at bleasure@clvillage.org prior to February 23rd for the upcoming session.

Home study and on-line courses are available through:
Dr. James E. Allen
(800) 458-8125
www.ltc.edu.com and/or:

St. Joseph's College of Maine
(800) 752-4723
www.sjcme.edu/cps

Current Board Membership:

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ChanSu Chong
Consumer Member

Nancy H. Ferrone
Related Profession

Timothy A. Johnson
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J. Brian Pabst
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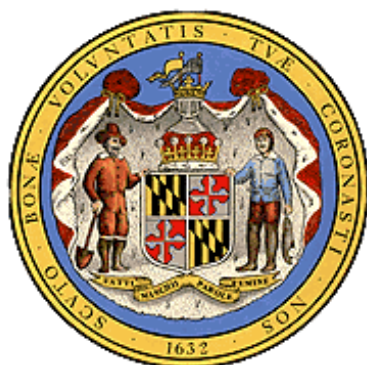
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Consumer

Gail P. Sigel
Consumer

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Related Profession

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Nursing Home Administrator



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